



Statement of Senator Dianne Feinstein on the Selection of  
Representative Jerry Lewis as House Appropriations Chair  
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"The House Republican Steering Committee made a wise choice when it selected Jerry Lewis as Chairman of the House Appropriations Committee.

Jerry Lewis brings to this position a deep understanding of the policymaking process and an ability to work with members from both sides of the aisle. I believe that all Californians will be well represented by the new Chairman of the Appropriations Committee.

Representative Lewis and I have worked together for years on issues important to California -- including the removal of hazardous fuels from our State's forest and expanding the National Training Center at Fort Irwin while preserving the California desert. I look forward to continuing to work with him on important California priorities."

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